REGIONAL FUGITIVE TASK FORCES

CATCH OF THE WEEK

Week of June 12, 2006

Taking the Worst of the Worst Off the Streets

Great Lakes Regional Fugitive Task Force (GLRFTF)

On June 12, 2006 Steven R. Barentson was arrested in Appleton, WI by members of GLRFTF, deputies from the Calumet County (WI) Sheriff's Department, and the Outagamie County (WI) ERT. Authorities in North Dakota wanted Barentson for Felon in Possession of a Firearm, NE PD wanted while the Omaha, him for Robbery The day before arresting Barentson, GLRFTF Attempted Homicide. investigators and officers from Tri-County SWAT discovered Barentson's vehicle in an abandoned field, but a search of the surrounding area did not yield his location. A search warrant executed on the vehicle resulted in the seizure of a quantity of .22 cal ammunition. Investigators continued to pursue Barentson, and developed information that he fled to a motel in Appleton. GLRFTF personnel questioned motel staff, positively identified Barentson from surveillance video, and proceeded to his room. Outagamie County ERT made entry into Barentson's room, found him sleeping, and safely took him into custody. Incident to arrest, investigators seized a loaded .22 cal handgun, .22 call ammunition, multiple falsified identification cards, and \$5,500 in US currency. Following arrest, Barentson attempted to flee from custody, but officers quickly subdued him. Barentson has an extensive violent criminal history of firearms violations, Robbery, Burglary, and Escape.



Steven Barentson
Wanted for:
Robbery,
Attempted Homicide
& Weapons Possession

Pacific Southwest Regional Fugitive Task Force (PSWRFTF)

On June 16, 2006 Michael Gonzalez and Gregory Villarreal, documented members of the *Mecca Vineyard* gang, were arrested in Palm Desert, CA by members of PSWRFTF and deputies from the Riverside County (CA) Sheriff's Department. Authorities in Riverside County wanted Gonzalez and Villarreal, both convicted of weapons violations, Assault, and Armed Robbery, for Escape. On June 15, 2006 the Riverside County Jail experienced a violent incident, which compelled correctional staff to transfer all inmates into the recreational yard. While in the yard, several inmates dug a small hole underneath a fence enclosing the area, allowing seven inmates to escape. Correctional staff immediately captured five of the escapees, but Gonzalez and Villarreal eluded immediate apprehension. PSWRFTF investigators immediately began searching for the two men, developing information that the pair fled to a home in Palm Desert. Investigators established surveillance at the target residence, observed Gonzalez and Villarreal a short time later, moved in, and safely took both men into custody.

Mecca Vineyard Gang Members





Michael Gonzalez (top) & Gregory Villarreal (bot.)
Wanted for:
Escape

Southeast Regional Fugitive Task Force (SERFTF)

On June 15, 2006 Milton Cameron was arrested in Atlanta, GA by members of SERFTF and officers from the Atlanta PD (APD) Fugitive Squad. The Georgia Board of Pardons & Paroles wanted Cameron for Parole Violation on original charges of Criminal Damage to Property, Battery, and Making Terroristic Threats. The original conviction related to a 2002 incident during which Cameron assaulted his girlfriend and then attempted to set her house on fire. Atlanta PD also wanted Cameron for Murder for allegedly choking his girlfriend on May 09, 2006, an attack which led to the woman's death several weeks later. SERFTF investigators developed information that Cameron took refuge with his sister. Investigators responded to the target location, established surveillance, and later observed Cameron outside of the residence. SERFTF and APD units moved in and safely took Cameron into custody.



Milton Cameron Wanted for: Parole Violation & Murder

New York/New Jersey Regional Fugitive Task Force (NY/NJ RFTF)

On June 14, 2006 Larry Ladson, a documented member of the *Bloods* gang, was arrested in Eutawville, SC by members of NY/NJ RFTF and the Operation Intercept Task Force (OITF). The Hudson County (NJ) Prosecutor's Office wanted Ladson for Homicide. On February 17, 2006 Ladson allegedly provided an associate a handgun and ordered that person to kill a rival gang member. The associate followed Ladson's order and killed the rival gang member. NY/NJ RFTF investigators, with critical assistance from the Technical Operations Group (TOG), developed information that Ladson fled to Eutawville. Investigators responded to this information, traveled to the area, established surveillance at the target residence, and with assistance from OITF, safely took Ladson into custody. Ladson currently awaits further extradition proceedings.

Bloods Gang Member



Larry Ladson Wanted for: Homicide

Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force (CARFTF)

On June 03, 2006 Ramone Jennings was arrested in northwest Washington, DC by members of CARFTF. DC Metropolitan PD (DC MPD) wanted Jennings for First Degree Murder While Armed. On November 19, 2005 Jennings allegedly shot a man in the head, killing him. DC MPD contacted CARFTF and requested assistance in locating Jennings. Following several days of intensive investigations, CARFTF investigators developed information on Jennings' location. Investigators immediately acted on this information, responded to the target, observed Jennings and safely took him into custody.



Ramone Jennings
Wanted for:
Murder